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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONFIGURING NETWORK DEVICES WITH SUBNETWORKS IN AN ATM ENVIRONMENT AND RETRIEVING PERMANENT VIRTUAL CHANNEL (PVC) CONFIGURATION INFORMATION FROM NETWORK DEVICES

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referred to as the "related application", contains subject matter that is related to the subject matter of the present application. The related application may contain one or more claims that are substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, and those claims may have been rejected in the related application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file history of the related application as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

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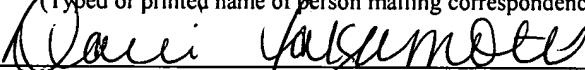
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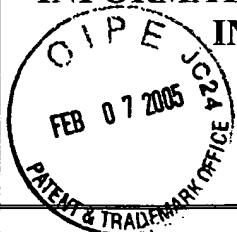
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